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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee held on Tuesday, Jan. 14th, at 10.30 A.M. Mrs Roberts as usual presiding. The first half hour was given to the prayer meeting, the theme faith in God's promises, and a great desire for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the church urged upon every individual.

The first matter of business was a vote taken upon the election of Mrs Walter D. Buchanan as a member of the Advisory Committee; unanimously elected.

Dr Mc Millan came in to submit a paper prepared to spread among the Mountain White people of the South to warn them of the errors of the Mormon church which is sending its emissaries so persistently among them. Dr Mc Millan read first a set of articles of faith recently set forth by the Mormon Church, many of which were entirely orthodox;- but many others upholding the errors of their particular creed, which makes many statements blasphemous in the extreme. These articles he refutes one by one in this paper prepared for distribution in the South. The opinion of the Committee was then asked and a discussion held as to its publication in full. It was believed to be a necessity that it should go out in all its fulness. A motion made and carried that we accept and adopt the article prepared by Dr Mc Millan and ask the Board, equally interested, to share the expense with us. A succeeding motion was supported that Dr Mc Millan be asked to prepare this same article for the secular press, offering it first to the Cosmopolitan in refutation of an article greatly favoring Mormonism published last summer If it be not accepted by them to try other publications.

With regard to becoming guardians to the Indian orphans among the Kiowas as proposed by Mr Fait, a motion was carried asking Mrs Morgan to examine the papers and bring her report to the Committee.

The list of articles needed at Chilkat, Alaska, for the coming year was found by the Committee considering it to be quite moderate and indispensable. The only item over which there might be difference of opinion being the $300 worth of lumber desired for the enlarging of the manse etc., but as this will come into next year's appropriations and the need a very serious one, the committee recommend the grant. A motion was carried endorsing the recommendation of the committee that the lumber be furnished.

As to Mr Warne's request for a vacation of five months, the question came up who was to pay for his supply on account of our teachers who cannot remain there alone. A resolution passed also that we say to the Board that not feeling satisfied with the present adjustment of affairs at Chilcat we propose consulting Mr. Warne when he shall arrive as to our relation with the Government.

Miss Wilkins of Anadarko, Ind. Ter. having been obliged to leave on account of illness, Miss Stringfield and Miss Trotter from Old Dwight were expected to be sent to that place. A motion supported that these two teachers go to Anadarko.

Mrs Nivdn coming in reported having had put in her hands for the unpaid salaries of our teachers $32.50 the result of a pastor's appeal.

Money having come in for a well at Tahlequah, Ind. Ter. it only waits for the approval of the Committee to be sent

At Albuquerque,N.M. they need a class-room teacher,and have one in view who will give them satisfaction,although we had another to propose. Question was asked if we would commission the young lady of their choice provided her credentials prove satisfactory. It was so ordered on motion.

The organ in the Assembly Room has been presented to the Committee and a receipted bill is in hand for the same. This fact gave sincere gratification to the Committee.

An undesignated legacy having come in of $600,Miss Lincoln asked if it should not be placed in the Permanent Fund,as well as all undesignated monies coming to us. A motion was carried approving this action.

Five hundred dollars came in yesterday designed for the work at Laurel Fork,N.C. The building will cost $1000 and it is thought that the remaining $500 may come from another quarter if allowed. In view of this,a motion was carried that an appropriation of $500 be made for this building,the $500 already coming to us going towards it.

Miss Moore of Salt Lake City,Utah,having recently died her assistant Miss Murphy has been doing her full work but has only been receiving an assistant's salary. As there is no reason why she should not receive the full amount granted Miss Moore,a motion was carried so ordering it.

It was proposed to send out a leaflet making a full statement of our financial condition,but as the money is now coming in more satisfactorily,and the difficulty great in making a plain statement of the various causes of our debt,Miss Lincoln asked if the statement always in the Home Mission Monthly would not be sufficient and do away with the necessity of any further publication. A motion passed that the Committee called to prepare a leaflet on the subject be disbanded.

Mrs Adams of Chicago asking for transfer of literature for the Mission Rooms in that city,it was resolved to furnish the literature asking that the returns be made to us when sold.

Mrs Davis of Ohio asks for endorsement of statements made in the Missionary Review. A motion carried that as a Committee we cannot make an official publication endorsing her statements but Mrs James will write her a letter assuring her that she can make satisfactory explanations to those objecting to her statements

Miss Sammons writes from Logan,Utah,that they have many things brought to them which they cannot make use of in the school, as payment for tuition,and asks if she had better continue receiving such articles. Miss Sammons reminds us that we would have to rely entirely on her honesty in receiving these gifts. This the Committee felt ready to answer for,and can see no other way of encouraging some payment for tuition.

Mrs Stowell writes again with regard to her going through the Synod. The North Pacific Board approve of it,and we still believe she will do better work than any one else. A motion was therefore carried approving the action of the Board of the N.P. and making the same arrangement with Mrs Stowell as we had last year. A begging letter having come to the office,it was left for answer with power,to the office,as it does not come under our work.

Meeting adjourned at 1.30 P.M.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee on Tuesday,Feb 11th at 10.30 A.M. The first half hour being devoted to the usual prayer meeting led by Mrs Brownell.

Mrs Pierson first read a letter from Miss Manning of Howcan,Alaska,giving the particulars of the accidental shooting of Willie John by Bert Charles at that place. His life was so endangered owing to the strong feeling of a life for a life,that altho' a ransom has been paid for him,he still suffers persecution from his own family. Advised to write to Dr Jackson if arrangements could be made to have Bert Charles sent to Carlisle. This was put as a motion and carried.

Mrs Thwing expecting her confinement in May,and having the prospect of no one to nurse her,Mrs James proposed that Miss Gibson from the hospital at Sitka might be sent to Fort Wrangell for two weeks at the time if she can be spared.

A letter has been received from the Missionary at Dwight, Ind.Ter. one of his stations among the Cherokees. He reports that at this point there are a number of children who would like to hoard themselves,and the buildings being already there,he begs that Miss Helbert may be given them as a matron and the work continued. A motion by Mrs James was supported that the missionary be written to that in view of our debt and that as reasons for closing the school so lately,still hold good,it will be impossible for us to carry on the work suggested.

Dr Lawrence and Mr Jeffrey have been urging a change of the school term for Asheville Farm,viz,from the last week in July till the 2nd week in April. This meeting with approbation ,a motion carried that this plan be hereafter adopted.

Mr Mc Afee had been asked to visit Henry Kendall College and accordingly did so ,making a full report.

Mr Hamilton of Tahlequah,Ind.Ter. came to see Mr Mc Afee thus sparing him the hard ride of 30 miles. Mr Hamilton is greatly pleased with Mr Peterson who is doing excellent work. There are however too many teachers for their quarters;125 pupils are crowded into too small a space. They need additiona of a third story and enlarged class rooms. Mr Hamilton being the minister of the place prefers not to superintend the school;and Mr Peterson prefers remaining principal teacher rather than undertaking the head place. These matters have all to be arranged at the Spring conference.

Mr Mc Afee read a proposition coming to him from the Board and the Woman's Executive Committee combined,that the Mission at Howcan be suspended and that Mr Mc Afee visit this point in the spring and investigate thoroughly the situation. Mr Mc Afee related some of the difficulties existing at Howcan and he advises waiting to hear from Mr.Gould after he receives the communication of the Board. Mr Mc Afee however stands ready to go South for five or six weeks as his physicianbelieves this might be beneficial to him while he is not in a condition to do office work. On Mr Mc Afee's leaving the room,a motion was supported that we agree with the action of the Board regarding Mr Mc Afee going to Alaska,that this should be deferred until after the meeting of General Assembly.

Motion also supported that the Committee endorse fully the position taken by Mr Mc Afee on his visit to Muskogee and the advice given by him to the workers there.

Mrs James read a letter from Sioux City, Iowa, telling of the poverty and needs of a little church and the hope that this Committee may interest some one to help them, especially do they need a communion service and hymnals. Mrs Finks suggested that a notice of this might be inserted in some religious paper as it doen not come strictly under our work.

Mrs James read a letter from Harlan Court House, Ky, that money for a fence and about $50 to complete the building in addition to the $500 originally appropriated was needed. A motion was carried that it is impossible for us to enlarge our appropriation and the building must be completed within the sum we have in hand.

Mr Curtis of Las Vegas, N.M. writes urging the necessity of repairs on the Spanish church and school-rooms. As we do not know distinctly whether we are responsible for both these buildings it was referred for further correspondence.

Miss Stephenson needs a new carpet for the room of one of the teachers and would be glad to receive it in April. A motion carried that we ascertain the size of Miss Gibson's room and if the carpet on our Assembly Room corresponds, that it be sent her for this purpose.

Gas tubing and a plain pine table being needed for the lunch arrangements of our office workers, a motion was carried that these needs be supplied.

Motion carried that the meeting for Humiliation and Prayer be held in this room on the 20th at half past ten o'clock, and conducted by Mrs James.

Miss Murphy reported that she had had very satisfactory conversations with Mrs Allen and Mrs Parsons, whom she was most glad to have had put on the magazine committee for "Over Sea and Land". They had arranged a plan verifying all facts coming from the teachers in friendly correspondence with committees on the various field Miss Murphy also asked the ladies to vote whether they wish to have a supplement to another number - this for the very young children, and at an extra expense.

Meeting adjourned till 2 P.M.

Afterhoon session opened with the statement from the Treasurer on our finances, with our prospects as to the Million Dollar Fund

Miss Lincoln reported that a lady in Phila has sent on $1000 towards unpaid teachers' salaries. These are now all paid but twenty, but every day changes the status.

Mrs Hoag of Kansas has written for two speakers. She has Mrs Wade and Mrs De Vore in mind. Motion carried that we encourage Mrs Wade making as many engagements as she can.

Mrs James read letter she had prepared to explain to teachers and those carrying on voluntary correspondence with them the ideas she had in view in instituting such a correspondence. This letter she purposes to have cyclostyled and send to all chairmen of Committees as well as to those teachers which shall be selected. A motion carried that certain teachers be communicated with to ascertain whether such a correspondence would be agreeable to them.

Motion ordered to adjourn at 3 o'clock.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee was held on Tuesday, Feb 25th, at 11 o'clock, Mrs Tompkins leading the prayer meeting which preceded it. Mrs Pierson presented the docket which began with Chilkat, Alaska.

Mr Eaton reports that we have insurance on the building just burned at Chilkat and on the contents. Mr Warne writes asking what is to be done and the question now is whether we shall rebuild at this point. Mr Warne's letter giving an account of the fire was read. He thinks that $2000 would put up a better building than they had. But little clothing and food were destroyed so they are fairly comfortable. Miss Sheets and Miss Willard however lost all but the clothes they had on. He wishes the decision of the Board telegraphed. There are two churches at Chilkat and the Board advising, a motion supported that we rebuild at once limiting the amount to be spent on the building to $2000.00 leaving a margin for furnishing and equipment.

The Hydah boy who accidentally shot his mate is to be sent to Carlisle, $100.00 having been sent on to cover his traveling expenses.

Dr Jackson has mentioned that the secretaries are inclined to close the mission at Point Barrow, as the Government is to relinquish its refuge station there. Dr. Jackson thinks the field will be all the better without any contact with the whalers, and there would be communication once a year without doubt as hith erto. Mrs James thought this must be positively ascertained and also whether the Esquimaux will still frequent that region in absence of the whaling station. A motion was carried that these investigations be made before we make our decision.

At Hoonah, Alaska, Mrs Mc Farland has remained since the death of her husband, having living with her a sister, government teacher and her son. A missionary and his wife with three children under five years, from Chicago, are now to be sent, a man being needed at this point. It is proposed that they occupy the lower floor of the house, Mrs Mc Farland retaining the upper floor with her family; Mrs Howell the sister to be removed elsewhere. Motion carried that this matter be referred for further light.

Resolution from full discussion and motion carried that the B ard place the Missionary's family in the lower floor at a nominal rent, asking the Government to employ Mrs Mc Farland as Gov't teacher, to continue her missionary work as well. It was suggested that the rent to be asked for our building be $5 a month. Put as a motion and carried.

Miss Peck read a letter from Miss Kelsey at Ft Wrangell about a child in whom she is much interested and would be glad to

place in some home. This caused some discussion and Miss Peck was requested to ask Dr Jackson's advice. Mrs James moved that Mrs Adams of Tacoma be asked to try to find a home for her there. Motion supported.

Mr and Mrs W.C.Buell at San Pablo,Colo. who have been trying to raise money to secure an organ,sent ona check for half the amount,with a request that $3.87 be deducted from his next quarter's salary to increase the sum,leaving about $20.00 still to be secured,Mrs Martin having kindly arranged with Mason and Hamlin for a very moderate price.

Rev Mr.Powell,Sunday School Missionary,has visited the rooms much interested in the Mexican work. Miss Case,he says,has had hemorrhages yet continues at her post,and her school is overflowing. So many schools he finds needing enlargement or assistance that he is very desirous to plead for means in the churches - although under the employ of the Sunday School Board. He believes the Mexicans are ready and eager for the gospel. Motion referred this question to the Board.

Miss Mc Nair writes from A lbuquerque,N.M. asking if we could not supply them with furniture and carpets as they are so bare and needy. Mrs Pierson said we had nearly $2000.00 for this transferred work. Miss Mc Nair wrote that Mr. Menaul if authorized could make advantageous purchases in sales going on there from vacated houses. Motion carried that Miss Mc Nair be authorized to supply the needs of the building in view of these funds.

$248 having come in from East Liberty church,Pittsburgh, Pa.,for a salary in Salt Lake Institute,it is to go towards the $1000.00 assumed by Dr Jackson for this Institute,and not ours. So we stand still responsible for our $1000.00

Miss Perley writes from Salina,Utah,that she found very little school equipment on reaching that post,and asks for blackboards and maps. As Mrs Crosby having left here sufficient for this purpose for some time,a motion carried that Miss Perley be furnished with what she needs. A teachers' Home being a necessity in Salina,Miss Perley calls our attention to it and urges that we put one up as soon as possible. Referred to the Spring conference.

Miss Lincoln reported that the rubber tips for chairs can be obtained at the cost of 21 cents a chair. As this would be a matter of about $10 a motion carried that we defer action for a while,but in the mean time take up a collection at every meeting for the carpeting of our rooms till a sufficient sum be in hand.

Mrs Pingry having secured $60.00 from the Sunday School of New Rochelle,N.Y. towards unpaid salaries of teachers,asked as to whether it had better go to one or two specified,or go into the fund for that special purpose.

Meeting adjourned at 12.30 P.M.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee on Tuesday, March 10th at 10.30 A.M. Prayer meeting of half an hour was conducted by Mrs Kelly of Elizabeth, N.J. Mrs Bailey of Harrisburgh, Mrs Elmer of Waverly and Mrs Stowell of the North Pacific were all present. Mrs Honeyman was asked to lead in prayer for a special blessing on our deliberations. Mrs Stowell was then asked to say a few words as it was felt to be an occasion of much interest that she was with us Mrs Stowell expresse the dependence of their entire Synod upon the leadings and guidance of the Woman's Executive Committee and how thoroughly they approved of their work especially in Alaska, which perhaps not many knew was included in their Synod - which covers Washington and Oregon as well.

Mrs Pierson reported on the information she had gained from Dr Jackson regarding the home at Hoonah. This is of very small dimensions, the upper story being simply an attic with a sloping roof on both sides. He advised our asking the Board that Mrs Mc Farland be nominated as Gov't teacher at this point in place of Mrs Howell whose time has about expired. He thinks that Mrs Mc Farland and her daughter canmake themselves comfortable in the upper floor, and the Austin family can be accommodated in the lower story. This having been brought before the Board at their last meeting, was approved. This arrangement will relieve us of any further expense at Hoonah.

Dr Jackson on being asked as to whether there would be any longer an Esquimaux settlement at Point Barrow if the Gov't refuge station were given up, replied that there has always been an Esquimaux village there and that the conditions will be in no wise changed. Mr Stevenson has vacated the building and is only waiting to leave when a vessel shall go up there. A new candidate for the place however is already asking for the appointment. Altho' coming with good credentials a letter from himself read by Mrs Pierson showed that he was not the man for our appointment, and that he had not the right conception of the qualifications for the position. He is therefore not to be considered.

Mr Warne, Chilcat, Alaska, pays a warm tribute to the services and spirit of Fanny Willard who not only acts as interpreter but does excellent missionary service besides her school work.

Mr Wadhams recommends a very worthy man as carpenter to put up the new building at Chilcat. Mrs James thought that if our own carpenter at Sitka can be spared for this work we are not warranted in engaging a man from Portland. A motion was carried that Mr Wadhams be so informed at once.

A teacher writes from Tucson, Arizona, about the vacations advising that a uniformity in length of vacation be maintained. Miss Lincoln suggested that all the workers be allowed six weeks vacation every summer with three months every alternate year. This was put as a motion and carried.

Miss Zuver writes from Penasco,N.M. that a neighboring plaza desires to have her teach a certain part of the year as her own pupils number but few at that time and she can thus be spared. She has written Mr Menaul asking his advice. Motion carried that if Mr Menaul approve this step,we authorize Miss Zuver to carry on this extra work.

Miss Lincoln told the story of Miss Zuver's attack and the subsequent gift of a watch as well as a bell which she asked for as a protection.

Mr Sanchez of Los Lentes,N.M. has had a number of hi' pupils taken away by the Romanists. To avoid this trouble again,it is suggested that Mr Sanchez continue the school six weeks longer than the session of the Roman Catholic school so as to hold the pupils and so avoid a repetition of this annoyance. A motion supported that Mr Sanchez be requested so to do,his salary to be extended to cover the extra time.

Miss Alice Peck of Benjamin,Utah,resigns her position on account of ill health. Motion supported that Miss Peck's resignation be accepted with regret.

Miss Hoaglan of the Laura Sunderland Home desires to take home for the vacation one of her pupils in whom she is much interested. She asks if she may have our permission to do this, A motion carried that this request be granted.

As to the Milligan tablet to be placed in the Chapel of the Farm School - a motion was supported that Mrs Boyd and Mrs Van Orden be appointed to decide as to the character of the tablet to be put up.

The matter of "Aunt Rachel" at White Hall,Concord,N.C. was discussed and a motion carried that it be left to a committee. The committee appointed was Miss Peck and Mrs Tompkins.

Mr Whittemore of Florence,Arizona,writes that they have completed their chapel and come to us for $100 for furnishing and paint. Motion carried that Mr Whittemore be written to that we have no funds for this purpose and that the fact be written up in the Evangelist.

At Anadarko, Ok. Ter. Mr Fait has put in a cauldron at a cost of $35 and asks for our approval. As this purchase was a necessity,a motion was supported that this be paid for.

Two Presbyterial meetings being held in the neighborhood of Muskogge,Ind.Ter. and a speaker needed,it was suggested that Miss Crosby be asked to perform this office,provided it can be arranged to spare her from the school. The Committee approving of this suggestion it was put as a motion and carried.

The matron at Mt Pleasant,Utah,asks if she may include a few boys in the scholarships that are to spare. Motion carried that correspondence be held with the matron before an answer be given.

Books of record being needed by Miss Jones in her department,a motion was supported that these books be purchased.

Meeting adjourned at 1.30 P.M.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee on Tuesday, March 24th at 11 A.M., preceded by the usual half hour prayer meeting led by Mrs Roberts; the subject being the Christian being the channel of blessing between Christ and the world. About twelve ladies present

Mrs Pierson reported that it had been ascertained that the carpenter at Sitka, Alaska, is already under Gov't appointment so is not at our disposal for the building at Chilkat. It will therefore be necessary to act on Mr. Wadhams suggestion and employ the man he recommended from Portland.

As to Miss Gibson's going to Fort Wrangell to care for Mrs Thwing, she writes that her absence now would necessitate the closing of the hospital, as every bed is filled but two. Mrs Parsons thought that Mr and Mrs Thwing would be able to find some one else in this view of the case.

The permission granted to Miss Hoagland at Concord, N.C. to take home with her one of her pupils causes objections, as those in charge think she should not be allowed to leave the school. As Mr Mc Afee returns on Saturday we can confer with him at that time and in the mean time Miss Hoagland will be advised to allow the girl to remain in the school until the end of the term.

The committee appointed to decide on the case of Aunt Rachel advise having her fed from the school table until the end of the term, and then ask the Concord church to look after her maintenance. Motion carried that the recommendation of the committee be accepted and adopted.

Miss Moore of Riceville, N.C. asks if she may leave for her summer vacation at the close of the school on March 27th. Motion supported that this request be granted.

Miss Fleming having been on the field for three years in the day-school at Santa Fe, N.M., and desiring a vacation this summer, a motion was carried that she be allowed to return to her home in Ohio, her expenses paid both ways.

Mrs White of Germantown, Pa, proposes the plan of a woman's edition of the Presbyterian Journal in the interest of the Million Dollar Fund. They desire committees appointed in all the cities and wish us to appoint two, to have charge the circulation and advertisements. The two ladies appointed were Mrs Martin and Mrs Van Orden.

The Chicago Presbyterial Society asking for suggestions for work for the coming year, it was thought by Mrs James in conference with the secretaries that Albuquerque would be the best point to recommend to them.

For Bloomington, Ills, the day-school work throughout Utah

The Board of the North Pacific asking also the same ques-

tion,it was thought well to advise the last named work,the day-school of Utah also to them.

These conclusions of the secretaries on vote were approved and adopted.

The reasons for Synodical Committees were then discussed, as some of our Synodical Societies are anxious to dispense with them. Resulting from this discussion,it was decided that some plan for future action should be presented at our Annual Meeting in Saratogo,to this end a motion was supported that the Ways and Means Committee meet on next Tuesday,the fifth Tuesday of the month and make a final decision on this much agitated question.

Miss Lincoln reported that our habit had been to place our legacies in a Permanent Fund. The question is whether in view of our debt we appropriate the money in hand,about $3000.00 towards the current work. A note of $1000.00 being held against us at Logan,a motion was carried that first of all one thousand dollars be used to liquidate this debt. A motion followed that the remainder be put into our general treasury. This was unanimously carried.

The question has come up as to whether the surplus scholarships at Logan may be used for the boys,about five in number. Their accommodations are in a building quite by itself and with several teachers in the building with them. In view of this arrangement a motion was seconded that the boys be allowed the scholarships.

Meeting adjourned at 12.30 and was followed by a meeting of the Magazine Committee.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee on Tuesday March 31st at 11 o'clock, Mrs Roberts in the chair.

Mrs Pierson first brought the matter of Hydah, Alaska, before the meeting. A letter was read from Mrs Gould to Miss Wheeler showing that there is a tendency towards better things.

A letter from Miss terrett asking for a list of the Woman's meetings to be held in Saratoga.

Miss Skea in reply to the offer of "Home" at Perth Amboy, thinks she can yet do service in some way. She asks if she should secure a good position as "field matron" if it would debar her from entering the "Home" at Perth Amboy. It was thought that her long service would insure her right to the "Home", but a communication would be sent to Dr. Cattell in regard to it.

Mr Mc Afee brought the matter of the accounts of the Farm School. On motion of Mrs James it was resolved to pay all bills due to Jan 1st; but it was not thought wise to anticipate payments.

Dr Lawrence, Asheville Normal and Collegiate, requests that Miss Hubbard, who has been teaching music nearly all winter for her board, be compensated. On motion of Mrs Weston this compensation was granted.

The commission of Mr. C.E. Coates, cooking teacher at Sitka, Alaska, expired in Nov.; he has remained and has been a good faithful worker. Mrs Sinclair moved that he be re-commissioned at the same rate.

The school at Los Lentes need not have the extra session and Mr. Sanchez can go to Albuquerque. Motion ordering it.

Miss Jennie Porter offered her resignation as laundry teacher at Santa Fe, N.M. which was accepted with regret.

Miss Knox at Nephi, Utah, sends her resignation also on account of health. Accepted with regret.

Miss Allison writes in regard to paying the physician $100 according to contract although his services have been required but a few times. On motion Mrs Weston, it was resolved to pay the $100 but to annul the contract.

Mr Mc Afee spoke of the unsanitary condition of the kitchen at Santa Fe. Mrs James asked who was competent to attend to the work. Mr. Mc Afee thought Mr. Menaul ought to be asked to look into the matter. On motion of Mrs James it was resolved to ask Mr. Menaul to confer with the physician and Miss Allison in regard to the condition of the sewerage. An amendment was offered in case Mr. Menaul were not available, the physician and Miss Allison be asked to confer in the matter and act.

Mr Magill writes that the public school will begin after his school is closed at Marshall, N.C. A motion was made that we

confer with Miss Stephenson as to the advisability of opening a school at Big Laurel for the three summer months under Mr.Magill.

Miss Gibson's resignation as music teacher and stenographer at Asheville,N.C. was accepted with regret and Miss Sara Johnson of Edgington,Ills.,recommended for the position.

On motion Mrs Jeffrey,Asheville Farm School,was authorized to secure help in mending,much needed at present,at the rate of $10 per month.

Miss Lincoln asked that the money on hand given for furnishings be appropriated for a carpet for the Assembly room,in order that we procure it before we are unable to match that on the platfrom. On motion of Mrs James it was resolved to purchase the carpet to match that on the platform given hy a member of the Christian Alliance.

After the regular business the matter of Synodical Committees was taken up for discussion. After discussion on motion of Mrs James it was laid on the table.

On motion Mrs Pierson or Miss Lincoln was advised to inform Miss Terrett of the general routine of meetings at Saratoga.

Meeting adjourned at 1 P.M.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee held on Tuesday, April 14th. After prayer meeting led by Mrs Parsons, the business was taken up. Mrs James prediding.

Mr. Mc Afee presented the request that Mrs Burnett of Mt Pleasant, Utah desires a vacation during the entire summer.

Mrs Morris of Porcupine, Mon. desires leave of absence for a short time only.

Miss Alice Crosby, Muskogee, Ind. Ter. desires a vacation in summer in order to take special studies. On motion these requests were granted.

Mr. Martin, the carpenter at Tucson, Arizona, asks for a vacation because of the death of his father, Granted with the modification that he fill his place.

Miss Cameron of Los Angeles, Cal. asks for permission to purchase screens - a necessity in that locality. Granted.

A letter from Mr. Newhall, Hot Springs, N.C. asking that Miss Parrish may spend a few weeks at Hot Springs as she offers her services and the only expense to us will be her board and lodging.

Our property at Caddo, Ind. Ter. is valued at $500 half belonging to us and half to the Board of Church Erection. Mr. King advises that we sell this property to the Southern church who are now making overtures for it. In this case we should receive $300 and pay over the same to the Board of Church Erection. There are desks there and an organ. It was suggested that we present them to the Southern Church which is now holding a good school in our building.

Mr. Mc Afee presented the situation at Washington College and Henry Kendall College. After Mr. Mc Afee's departure the Committee acted on the advice given us regarding Washington College, and resolved on motion that from this time we cease supporting any teachers, and turn over our industrial department to the college for a dormitory with the proviso of its being kept in repair.

As to our property at Caddo, Ind. Ter. amotion was supported that we dispose of it to the Southern church for the $600 at which it is valued; $300 to come to us and $300 to the Board of Church Erection.

A motion also supported that the desks and organ be given to the Southern Church.

On motion of Mrs Parsons resolved that Miss Parrish be allowed to teach at Dorland Institute as desired, paying her board.

Mrs Tompkins read interesting extracts of letter from Miss Parrish whom she has grown to admire through correspondence.

An appeal has come to Mrs Finks from Miss Means of Parker Hall, Concord, N.C. asking if a request for maps, globes etc. could be put in the Home Mission Monthly. Mrs Blair immediately offered to

furnish these needs herself which offer was most gratefully received.

Dr. Mc Cook of Phila,Pa. writes that in their new Presbyterian Building they are to have paneks in the decoration representing the various branches of Presbyterian work,and asks if we have not a seal or some design to indicate our work. As he refers to a design he himself had made for the World's Fair,it was resolved to ask Dr.Mc Cook to submit the sketch he refers to for our consideration,thanking him sincerely for his desire to give prominence to our work.

Miss Taft asks if boxes shall be acknowledged in the Home Mission Monthly,as it would seem a step in advance to save this expense,and leave the space for more important matter. A resolution passed leaving the decision of this matter to Mrs Finks and Mrs Pierson in conference with the secretaries,to report at our next meeting.

Mrs Niven reported that Miss Masters of Dobbs Ferry could not put the case of Aunt Rachel so late in the season but agreed to mention her case should any apply for objects to work for. A motion carried that until further assistance,supplies be given Aunt Rachel from the Laura Sunderland School.

Mrs Pierson asked if an auditor and an alternate may both be appointed to audit our accounts. Motion carried that Mr.Langdon be asked to be our auditor with Mr. John Sinclair as alternate.

A catalogue is asked for of our leaflets for the Annual Meeting. Motion carried that the secretaries be consulted about a joint publication.

Mrs Graves of Iowa,writes that very little clothin has been sent to Tama since Miss Skea's departure. She asks if we wish appeals made for this. A motion supported that the Iowa ladies be requested to make appeals in their societies,for such clothing as they may deem best for this neighborhood.

Miss Lincoln made a request for a water-cooler for our own rooms as it is quite a distance to make use of that belonging to the Board. Motion carried that Mrs Brownell be asked to purchase a suitable water-cooler.

Meeting adjourned at 1.15.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee on Tuesday, June 9th, 1896, at 11 A.M. The prayer meeting of half an hour was first held led by Mrs Honeyman, who presided at the business meeting afterwards in absence of Mrs James.

Our leaflet setting forth the Industrial department of Washington College, Tenn., being asked for for the use of the College we felt obliged on motion to decline permission as it is worded as a part of our work and would only cause confusion if still given out.

It is necessary to present an object for the Thanksgiving contribution from Sunday Schools, and Miss Lincoln suggested that Tucson, Arizona, be presented as one of our best and most worthy. The importance of keeping this up and securing its full support being felt by the Committee, a motion was carried approving giving this school to Sunday schools for the Thanksgiving offering.

The manse property at Juneau, Alaska, occupied by Mr. Willard is valued at $3000 and he has sold it to the Committee and we have been paying interest on it a 6 per ct. There is now a payment due and Mr. Willard writes for a summer installment of $180 to secure it to us. Motion carried that this being a necessity the payment be made.

Mrs M.K.Sleight of El Rito, N.M. asks for a vacation for the summer as there is no room there for her during the summer months. The building at the cost of $500, all now collected, will be put up this summer. This vacation on motion was granged.

Mr. M.F.Gilchrist stated to Mr. Mc Afee in Saratoga that at Las Vegas all the room he has had granted him by the Presbytery for his young en's summer school have been four rooms down stairs beside the laundry. This is insufficient and he asks if he may now occupy the two rooms up stairs vacated by Miss Winston. These young men are employed as evangelists and are paid at the rate of $1.25 a day for every day of service. This work has created a great interest through all that country.

William Wells who has been acting as interpreter for Mr. Austin in Sitka, Alaska, was relieved from his duties last summer. That is Mr. Mc Afee wrote to Mr. Shull that we would no longer need his services. But apparently this letter was not received and he has been continued in service. Mr. Austin accordingly writes us to send the $75 due Mr. Wells.

At the Annual meeting an appropriation was allowed of $150 to put in repair the building at Wolf Point, Montana. Mrs King now sends an estimate of what the lumber and work will cost, and this is $248; $100 more than our appropriation.

Mr. Jeffrey from the Boys Farm School, asks for an appropriation for dining-room and kitchen - needed articles.

Rev. A.J.Smith missionary at American Fork,Utah,occupied our building last year paying in lieu of rent the taxes and repairs securing a room outside for our teacher. The Board asks us to allow Mr.Blohm who is to be Mr Smith's successor, the same privilege.

Mr.Mc Afee has heard from the pastor of the church owning the Salt Lake Institute that they are likely to accept our proposition and that the building will be turned over again into our hands.

The points brought before us by Mr.Mc Afee were voted on after he left,one by one.

The extra rooms asked for during the summer by Mr.Gilchrist for the use of his young men were voted to be allowed him.

William Wells having given his services as interpreter to Mr.Austin for six months past to the amount of $75,a motion carried ordered this paid with the understanding that we do not continue it.

Mrs King at Wolf Point,Montana,will be written that we cannot expend more than $150 upon the building and that she must endeavor to have the house made comfortable inside this figure.

As to Mr. Smith's successor,Mr.Blohm, occupying the house at American Fork,Utah,on the same terms,a motion supported that this change be effected with the understanding that our teacher be always comfortably provided for.

Mr.Mc Afee made an appeal for the continuance under our support of the young men still desiring to continue their studies and whose scholarships have been given up at Washington College, Tenn. A motion carried that we declare ourselves unable to undertake it and refer the case of these students to the Board of Education.

The Penna. ladies have promised $2000 during the coming year for Salt Lake Institute provided we get it entirely again under our control. As we learn that this is likely to be brought about we are glad of the assurance.

Miss Lincoln brought before us a suggestion made to us by the School Committee yesterday and which if we endorse, they are to lay before the Board this afternoon. This is that hereafter we ourselves pay the cost of administration of our office handing over the balance only to the Board for the carrying on of our work. This is the method of organization of the Foreign Boards and commends itself to the School Committee. The matter was fully discussed and while most of those present favored this plan,Mrs James being absent,and the representation not very full,a motion was deferred.

Meeting adjourned at 1.30 P.M.

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Minutes of Ways and Means Committee of June 23rd,1896. Meeting came to order after prayer meeting of half an hour led by Miss Burnett.

Mrs Pierson said letters have come from workers at Hydah, Alaska,asking that the scholarships for the Hydah Mission be continued. This would mean keeping the mission open and an appropria tion of $1500. Since the matter of closing has already passed the School Committee a resolution was passed that we abide by our original decision.

Mrs James spoke on the subject of making an effort to re-open the schools which we have closed. She thought this might be done by personal appeal to ladies of wealth,and asked for a can did opinion on the subject. Mrs Honeyman thought the effort would better be directed to the work already in hand. Some discussion followed,but nothing definite was settled upon.

There is more at Asheville Farm in the way of supplies than is needed there - 25 pillows,comfortables,sheets &c. The cost to send to Albuqueruqe would be $17. The question arises whether it be wise to pay so much,or hold at the school at Asheville till needed,since there is sufficient at Albuquerque to begin the year. It was moved and carried that they be kept at Asheville until money be provided for transportation,or if they can be sent free,to send on,Miss Lincoln having offered to write to Mrs Russell Sage in regard to it.

Miss Jennie Templeton of Nuyaka,Ind.Ter,also Miss Mary Robe asks for vacation. Granted.

Mrs Granger and daughter of Las Cruces,N.M.; Miss Zuver of Penasco,N.M.; Miss June Morrow of Albuquerque,N.M. have asked for vacations within the rules. Granted.

Mrs Pierson asked in any action was required in regard to the Synodical letter. The letter was read and approved.

Miss Lincoln made a request for Miss Jones,asking if the Young People's Programme be reprinted. Granted.

Also shall the C.E.pledge-blanks be reprinted. Motion carried.

Also a letter from Good Will,So.Dak. to the C.E.s,shall it be reprinted? Motion carried.

Also a notice giving C.E.Societies a notification of the time limit of their pledges,shall it be printed? On motion of Mrs Finks it was so ordered,with the suggestion that it be a solicita tion for renewal instead of a notification.

Miss Lincoln asked that some arrangement be made for the proper storing of the books of reference now piled on the floor in her office. The money is in hand and a resolution was offered and carried that a purchase of a suitable case be made,subject to a committee of three from the office.

Mr.Jones of Juneau,Alaska,has taken Clara one of our "Home" scholars to Government school in Oregon. Motion carried that Mr.Mc Afee inquire the reason of this.

Miss Olga Hiltem,who has been taking cooking lessons at Pratt Institute is about to go to Alaska. Mrs James thought she should come here,and that there should be a full understanding

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee, June 30th, 1896. A prayer meeting of one half hour preceded the business meeting. This was led by Mrs James; subject Faith.

Mrs Finks brought forward the matter of advertisements in Home Mission Monthly, stating first that the magazine is now self-supporting, and the magazine in its present condition meets the wants of our constituency, and asked pertinently, do we want to change the character by adding advertisements? After conversation on the subject, Mr. Griffiths was invited in to speak of the charac ter of the advertisements. As Mrs James was called out the matter was left until she should return.

Mrs Pierson spoke of arranging the work during the vacations in the office. Miss Taft asks that some one be appointed to care for the box work in her absence. Mrs Baker was appointed.

When Dr. Wishard was here some one requested his leaflet. The question comes, shall we publish it? A limited supply seemd desirable and a resolution was passed that we accept the recommendation of the Publication Committee to publish it, and order an issue of 3000 at usual price, one cent each.

A letter from Mr. Peterson of Tahlequah, Ind. Ter. giving the condition of the building there - something must be done. Motion carried that the matter be left to Mr. Mc Afee, with recommendation that the old building be repaired.

A letter from the Lindsey's at Poplar, Mon. , asking that Miss Abby Miller be sent as a helper to them as a worker among the Sioux. A motion was made that the suggestion be made that the Dakota Presbytery be asked to employ her, if Mr. Mc Afee deems it advisable. Carried.

Miss Allison, Santa Fe , N.M. makes a requisition for books and maps for the school year. The requisition was granted in regard to the books, and if the money for the maps can be secured as a special it was moved that it be secured.

A motion was carried that the school at Manti, Utah, be re-opened, $500 having been contributed for this school.

Mr. Caskey writes that he will be at Washington at time of C. E. meeting, and that he would like to come to New York, and have a conference with the workers. Motion carried that we favor his coming.

At this point a motion was made that we do <u>not</u> have advertisements in the Home Mission Monthly. Carried.

Mrs Finks presented the matter of cover of Home Mission Monthly. Miss Lincoln moved that the design presented be adopted. Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

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Minutes of meeting held Sept 1st,1896. After a short pray er meeting,the Committee of Ways and Means met,Mrs Moneyman in the chair.

Miss Lincoln presented a formal application from the Board,that Mr.Mc Afee should go to Kansas,Minn, Nebraska,Iowa,as their representative,presenting the work of the Board and Woman's Executive Committee,at the same time,expenses to be borne by Womans Executive Committee. The matter was informally discussed,the sense of the meeting being that the Committee ought not to pay for two representatives,if Mr.Mc Afee should go Mrs Pierson would not. Dr. Roberts said that the suggestion was simply,if Mr.Mc Afee were going he might be able to represent both,but that there was no thought on his part that the Woman's Executive Committee should pay the expenses of Mr.Mc Afee. The Woman's Executive Committee will grant the time to Mr.Mc Afee,should the Board desire his services, but the arrangement for visiting synods will be as first planned, Mrs Pierson to go to the West.

A motion was carried that Mrs Pierson on her western trip visit such schools in New Mexico as she can make arrangements for.

A letter was read from Whitworth College. Bills for Archie Camnron were presented to the amount of $195. If the Lockport society will bear the whole expense then the Woman'x Executive Committee will continue him in college; if not,the time has come when a change must be made. Resolution carried that the bill already due be paid now,the bill for the coming year be held,until Mr.Stuart and the Lockport society be written in reference to the matter.

A letter was received from Miss Montgomery of the Laura Sunderland,in reference to transferring some pupils to the Normal Institute at Asheville,as the Normal Dept. at Concord will be closed. A resolution offered and carried that these pupils be transferred and scholarships provided. Miss Montgomery made requisition for certain articles. A resolution carried that we approve the requisition and grant what is positively necessary;the others being provided for as special objects.

Meeting adjourned at one P.M.

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Meeting of the Ways and Means Committee of the Woman's Executive Committee was called to order at 11.15 A.M. on Tuesday, Sept. 8th, with Mrs Finks in the chair.

A letter from W.H.Hubbard, Editor of the Assembly Herald, was read. This asked the Committee to take action concerning the placing of a name in connection with the material sent each month by it for publication in the Assembly Herald. A motion was made by Mrs Pingry, and seconded by Mrs Parsons that under the caption "Woman's Executive Committee", there should be inserted the names of Mrs James, Mrs Pierson and Miss Lincoln, with their official designations. This motion was carried. It was also suggested that Mr. Hubbard be asked that a space nearer to that occupied by the material sent by Mr. Mc Afee be given to the Woman's Executive Committee.

As it had been previously decided that the material to be furnished for the Assembly Herald each month should be gathered and forwarded by different members of the Committee who were willing to undertake this work, a motion was made and carried that Mrs Pingry should have charge of the November number, the material to be such as would interest workers in the Tucson school and the Sunday-school programme.

The matter of the water supply at Hot Springs, N.C. was then presented. Formerly the school was connected with the Hotel supply. Now Mr. Doolittle has cut off all communication and refuses to allow the school to draw upon the former supply. In this case it is impossible to open the school until some means can be provided for furnishing the necessary water. A motion was made by Mrs Parsons, seconded by Mrs Pingry, that this matter be referred back to Mr. Mc Afee with power to act in the matter at once, there being no time for delay.

Miss Welsh, of the Laura Sunderland School, Concord, N.C. has, by her own efforts, procured money to purchase a sewing machine. A letter received from her asks if she may use her own discretion in the purchase of this machine. Motion to this effect carried.

Miss Spinning has been for some time addressing societies As she is, upon her return to the field, to go to Patterson's Mills in place of Parker Hall, in which she formerly taught, she writes to ask whether she may appeal to societies for the equipment of this latter school. Further consideration of the matter must be had in the office.

Miss Sammons of Logan, Utah requested that she be given permission to purchase 35 desks from the Episcopal Church, as they were willing to give her one year in which to pay for the same. The desks being a necessity, it was carried that this be granted.

Meeting adjourned at 11.45.

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The Ways and Means Committee met Sept. 29th,1896. Mrs James in the chair. Mrs Pierson presented as the first subject for consideration the sale of the Oakland property. The Board recommends the sale of it. After conversation Mrs Hamlin offered as a motion that we accept the offer made by the last applicant. This was unanimously approved.

On motion of Mrs Hamlin it was resolved that Mrs Finks draft resolutions in reference to the loss sustained in the death of Mr.Eaton.

In the spring,leave of absence was granted for the summer to the Misses Griffith of Malad,Idaho,with return expenses paid. But one of them returns to teach. It is not in accordance with our rules to pay return expenses unless the teacher returnsto the work. Since Miss Griffith does not expect to teach,a suggestion was made that she be notified of our rules relative to the return expenses.

Dr.Wishard has sent Miss Neilson to Springville,Utah,displacing Miss Allen. As Miss Allen's resignation has not been received we are embarassed by obligations to both teachers. Action taken that we confirm the action of the Supt.,but request that hereafter,all changes be made with the advice and consent of the Woman's Executive Committee.

Miss Smith of Salt Lake City has,in order to lessen expenses,rented out some of the rooms of our new building.Mr.Mc Afee has suggested that Mrs Pierson be empowered,when at Salt Lake City, to make the transfer of the Girl's Home if necessary.

Mr.Pattison of Dwight,Ind.Ter. has an offer for sale of stock. Resolution carried that he be allowed to sell.

Mr.King of Henry Kendall College,Muskogee,Ind.Ter. desires a teacher of elocution - one ... can be secured,who by taking extra pupils will be no expense to us. Motion approved that we permit Mr.King to engage the teachers,making such arrangements as he deems advisavle,provided no expense to us is involved.

Mr.Menaul has an offer of $300 for the building at Coralles,N.M. The Board recommend that the offer be accepted. On motion it was resolved to sell the building.

Miss Montgomery asks that Cora Lewis be allowed the $15 for her music,which has been granted her,payment made as heretofore by a King's Daughters Circle of Newark,N.J.

The Board ask that we join with them in publishing a leaflet explaining our financial situation. Motion made and carried that we join with the Board in publishing the leaflet.

A motion was offered and carried that Mrs Pierson be empowered to adjust matters at Las Vegas,N.M.

A copy of the Freedmen's Bulletin edited by Miss Mary

Holmes was sent to Mrs Finks. When we agreed to receive money for the Freedmen,it was understood that nothing should be published unless by sanction of the Woman's Executive Committee. This might be something of an infringement on the province of the H.M.Monthly which presents the Freedmon's work in common with that of the exceptional populations. It was resolved to leave this in the hands of Mrs Finks who will correspond with Miss Holmes on the subject.

Mrs Pierson presented a collecting card,brought to the rooms by Mrs Hamlin. Mrs Hamlin explained the method of use,and showed that for specifi. work,in other societies,much success had attended the use of such cards. Resolution offered that we refer the matter to the Publication Committee with a view to having some thing of the same character for our use.

Our boy in the office has proved inefficient,and he has been retired. There has been an applicant,a boy of 17,who is willing to come for $10 per month,but asks that after three months he may receive $3 per week. On motion it was resolved that he be taken on trial.

A resolution was offered and carried that at the Industrial school at Harlan,Ky.,the girls will have the tuition free,but the provisions must be brought by the girls themselves.

Mrs James spoke of our societies making quartorly payments,and suggested that we try to get the Foreign Boards to unite with us in urging them. Mrs Finks told of a plan whereby the ladies of societies were divided into four groups,a group for each quarter of the year,thus securing quarterly payments without fail.

Mrs James said that we should have matters clearly under stood with the new treasurer,that the money raised by Woman's Executive Committee should be paid out as specified by the Committee. Mrs Hamlin spoke strongly on the subject,saying she would not plead for money unless assurodthat the Board's treasurer would send it as specified.

Meeting adjourned at 1 P.M.

From Harlan, C.H.Ky, Miss Mildred Campbell, the newly appointed industrial teacher asks that her duties be defined. She is of the opinion that it would be difficult to secure a large class at first, willing to perform any manual labor. Permission has been granted her to take in five girls from the mountains who will furnish their own food. These girls will live in the home with Miss Campbell, and it seems best to leave her unrestricted in instructing these until she can win other girls to the house work, all being taught sewing, etc.

Last week the advisability of sending representatives from the office to synodical meetings was discussed and the following action taken; That all engagements for synodical and supplemental meetings be cancelled unless relief is secured for our treasury. The matter has since been referred to Mrs. James and she requests that every engagement be kept. The sentiment of this meeting is in accord with Mrs James' recommendation that all engagements be kept and an effort be made to secure necessary funds.

Meeting adjourned at 1 P.M.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee held Tuesday, Oct. 13th, 1896. Committee met at 11 A.M. Mrs Roberts in the chair.

Miss Rue asks that she may purchase a Guide showing the routes of different Express Companies. Cost $3.00 This was granted

A communication from Mrs Campbell, Mendon, Utah, stated that it will be utterly impossible to collect sufficient tuition to pay the running expenses of the school. A motion was made and carried that we help bear the expenses, but strenuous efforts must be made to collect as large an amount of tuition fees as possible.

Mrs Mc Farland, from Hoonah, Alaska, was granted a year's vacation at our expense. She asks that the vacation be extended from Sept. 1st for one year, as she was unable to leave before that time.

An offer has come from Dr. Rusk, who has a sanitarium at Asheville, N.C. for the Oakland property. He offers $35,000 cash the first of January. It was voted to refer the matter to the Committee of which Mr. Dodge is chairman, with the recommendation that the offer be accepted, the commission if possible, not to be included in the $35,000.

Miss Jones stated that with the consolidation of the Young People's Departments, the number of Cyclostyled letters was so great, that it was too hard for Miss Lloyd to do it. The cost of printing these would be less than the cost of cyclostyling, if extra help were engaged. It was voted that the letters be printed.

In June last, several ladies offered to be responsible for the page in the Assembly Herald. Mrs Parsons agreed to have charge of the December issue and Mrs Roberts for January. Other ladies will prepare articles for the following issues.

Meeting adjourned at 12 P.M.

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The regular meeting of Ways and Means Committee was calle to order at eleven A.M. on Tuesday, Oct 27th, with Mrs James in the chair.

Mrs James presented the facts relating tothe efforts made by her to interest Mine owners in Pennsylvania in providing night schools, kindergartens, and Christian training. While a large number of letters were sent out, but three replies were received. Mrs James felt that the women of the Presbyterial Societies might undertake this work under the arrangement that money for it might be sent to the Committee, this body having the care of the schools. The money for this work to be procured, as far as possible, from Mine owners, and in any case not to interfere with the regular Presbyterial contributions to the Committee. Mrs Honeyman moved that it be recommended that a Committee be appointed in Lackawanna Presbytery to attempt the establishing of kindergartens and night schools in connection with the various coal breakers, and to thus enlarge the work of the Committee. Motion supported and carried.

Mrs James suggested the desirability of having in the Home Mission Monthly, an article concerning the magnitude of the work of the Committee, as this is so often misunderstood. Miss Lincoln suggested that such an article be prepared by Mr. Mc Afee and appear in the Assembly Herald and Church at Home and Abroad, as well as Home Mission Monthly. Motion was made, supported and carried that such articles be prepared by Mr. Mc Afee and published, as above suggested.

Dr. King of Henry Kendall College, asks for more books - to be sold to the pupils. Motion in affirmation made, seconded and carried. A request was also made for a large map of the Holy Land, Mrs Weston promised to place this before the society of the 5th Ave. church.

A requisition of shoes for Good Will, So. Dakota, was pre - sented. Granted.

Mrs Pingry presented the matter of the large supplies at Asheville Farm School which were available for use in another school. Mrs Baker is desirous of arranging for the proper distribution of these supplies which are not needed at the Farm school. Motion made, seconded and carried.

A letter from Mr. Marshall of Mt Pleasant, Utah, was read by Mrs Smith, speaking of the great trials being endured by the teachers because of the necessity of borrowing the money at the rate of 18-per cent per year, on account of delayed salaries.

Permission was asked by the Young People's Department to hold a Missionary Rally in the Chapel at 156 Fifth Ave., on Saturday, Dec. 5th., for all young people's societies in New York Presbytery. Granted.

Permission was also asked to use a programme prepared for C.E. Societies on C.E. Day, Feb. 3rd., such being already called for by societies. Granted

An informal and very enjoyable talk by Mrs Polhemus of Riceville, N.C. followed.

Meeting adjourned.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee held on Tuesday Nov. 10th,1896. Mrs Roberts presiding.

Mrs Honeyman inquired in reference to the transference of the Zuni children to the Gov't school,and asked whether we were still responsible for the teachers' salaries. Miss Lincoln stated that the pupils had been transferred and that the teachers were now awaiting orders,and that we were responsible for their salaries until they received their call from Government.

At Los Lentes,N.M. the people are interested and willing to erect a building,and ask that we provide a roof for the same at a cost of $150. Mrs James made a motion that we secure the $150 necessary for this roof, Motion was carried.

Mr.Menaul writes that where repairs have been necessary he has paid for them,and will wait for payment of same till such time as the Woman's Executive Committee can conveniently reimburse him.

At Los Angeles,Cali. the building was erected by funds raised by the people of that Presbytery and we supposed entirely free from debt. On the death of the treasurer of the Board,a note of $203.96 was found still due. The ladies of the Presbytery will raise the amount to pay off the note and ask that credit be given them for that amount. Carried.

Miss Sheets of Chilkat,Alaska,has been on the field three years without vacation. She asks that she may be granted a vacation from April 1897. This was granted.

Miss Ufford secured land at Locust Level,N.C. for us. She asks tha 25 acres of this may be rented to a man who would like to clear and cultivate it. He would be willing to supply the school with wood for fuel. The timber also would be at our disposal. There would be a sufficient amount of fuel to last for years,and some large lumber towards a new building. We do not desire to erect a new building,but on motion of Mrs Martin,it was resolved to grant this privilege to him,if after consultation with Mr.Mc Afee it should be deemed advisable.

Miss Dissette's adopted daughter has been with Miss Pond the past year. Miss Pond has been commissioned as teacher at Hot Springs,N.C. and asks that Daisy's scholarship may be continued for her there. Granted.

Miss Spinning who will teach at Patterson's Mills,two miles from Concord,will have for her assistant Miss Jennie Allison, a former pupil at Sunderland. Miss Montgomery asks that Miss Allison be allowed $50 from the public school funds in payment for services rendered. This was granted.

Miss Sammons of Logan,Utah,writes that the cost of lighting the building with oil is $60 per year. The cost of lighting by electricity would be but $48,after the lighting apparatus had been put in,which would cost $35. She asks permission to have this done Action deferred until Mrs Pisrson's return,as she has recently visited this school.

The Board ask that the Woman's Executive Committee pay half the salary of Mr.Fait at Anadarko,Okl.Ter. This has proved an expensive school,and it was thought wise to defer action until after Mr.Mc Afee explained the condition there. Mr Mc Afee was not in the building,so the matter was deferred until next meeting.

After much conversation on the methods of disbursing our funds,a committee consisting of Mrs James,Mrs Weston and Mrs Honeyman,were appointed to confer with the Finance Committee of the Board at such time as our treasurer should approve.

Meeting adjourned at 2 P.M.

Mr.Mc Afee asked that this appropriation be so adjusted as to pay the carpenter,and the balance be applied to expense on building. This was carried.

From Miss Porley,Salina,Utah,word comes that she found nothing in her school-room but six large,old desks and a small table. Having provided herself with some material she asks that the Woman's Executive Committee furnish a black board,which was granted

Miss Lincoln said that Miss Cort had replied to the letter received and stated that she had permission from Dr.Mc Millan to make the appeals which she did. As there was a misunderstanding in regard to it,and not an intentional infringement on our rights, nothing further was required in the matter.

Mrs De Vore spent a month in Minnesota,and through Mrs Pomeroy wishes her to return there again,she does not desire her at present. Miss Lincoln asked that Mrs De Vore be asked to come here as many societies in the vicinity of New York are anxious to procure her as a speaker. Motion carried that she be asked to come.

Our acting Young People's Secretary asks that some kind of a floor covering be procured for the floor of her office. Miss Lincoln stated that the Board would pay half and that there was money for furnishing already in hand which could be used. It was moved and carried that a floor covering be procured.

Mrs James recommended the name of Mrs Wm. Worrall of New York City,for member of Woman's Executive Committee. On motion of Miss Peck,Mrs Worrall was made a member of Advisory Committee.

Mrs James asked if it were not possible to obtain some volunteer workers when the work in the office pressed. Miss Jones said we had already had volunteer help from Miss Halsey and her friend. Mrs James thanked Miss Halsey in behalf of the Committee for her kind services.

Miss Lincoln asked that a chairman of the finance committee be appointed to act during the absence of the chairman,Mrs Brownell,as there were some matters that needed to be brought before the Committee. Mrs James appointed Mrs Honeyman as chairman.

Miss Lincoln also called attention to the fact that Rev. Mr. Penfield's name still stands as Secretary of Young People's Work,and asked that an official communication be sent to the Church at Home and Abroad asking that the correction be made,and the name of our Secretary appear with those of other officers. Granted.

Meeting adjourned.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee held Tuesday,Nov. 24th,1896. Mrs James in the chair.

Mr.Mc Afee stated that he had investigated the matter in regard to Mr.Fait,and recommended that the Committee assume the payment of half his salary - $350 -. The motion at a previous meeting had been to raise it as a special. It was decided that the amount must be raised for Mr.Fait.

Last May the Board took action by recommendation of Woman's Executive Committee,that teachers in Utah must pay all runningexpenses by tuition collected from pupils. Miss Florence Taylor saysthis will be impossible as the people are too poor,and asks also that boxes of clothing be sent to the poor people there.

Miss Sadie Mc Clure asks that the tuition may be remitted for next quarter,for it is impossible for them to get it,she herself having paid the running expenses for previous quarter.

Under our rules 20 per cent can be put on the free list, the teachers making selection,but we cannot deviate from our rules, the pupils must bring something,butter,eggs,anything,even though the teacher cannot use it,the principle must be maintained. It was ordered that these teachers be communicated with to this effect, even though some scholars should leave because tuition was required

Mr.King of Muskogee,Ind.Ter. writes we have seven Choctaw National students,who have been called home for lack of funds and asks,"Is there any way in which we can keep them,and receive remuneration another year?" The Nation's treasury is depleted,hence the recall. Motion carried that we keep them if it be certain that the Nation will pay another year.

Mrs Pierson presented the subject of a programme for the "Day of Humiliation and Prayer." This is prepared as agreed upon by Miss Burdette of the Baptist Church. Mrs Pierson thought it a matter of courtesy that we should urge our societies to purchase this programme for use. Motion made and carried that the programme be accepted and an order of 5000 copies be sent. Mrs Pierson was instructed to write Miss Burdette,making such suggestions as she and Mrs Finks should decide upon.

The following recommendations of the officers of the Board were confirmed by the Committee. Supplies for the Literature and Young People's departments are not to be ordered until approved by both the Boards conference and the Woman's Executive Committee, such supplies to be purchased by the head of the department in which they are needed.

The question of raising or lowering salaries of employees in the joint departments must not be decided until agreed to by the Board's Conference and the Woman's Executive Committee.

Mrs Millspaugh of Salt Lake City,Utah,asks the use of a room in the Academy building for a kindergarten.This was granted.

- The matter of electric lights at Logan,Utah,was brought up. Mrs Pierson said while it looked like luxury to us,electric lighting in the West was less expensive and that under the circumstances she favored granting Miss Sammon's request. Carried.

Miss Beekman of Monroe,Utah,is ill with typhoid pneumonia and thinks the ditch water the cause of it. She desires a well.The matter was referred to Dr.Wishard for information,nothing to be done in regard to it,until such information is gained from him as will enable us to act intelligently.

Miss Rue finds a dearth of material on the Indian topic, and asks that she may be authorized to purchase 100 copies of "Historical Sketches of Indians in North America." Moved and carried that she be permitted to purchase 100 copies or such a number as the Foreign Board were willing to sell.

Mrs Morgan said the last Gov't report of the Indians was very interesting and suggested that Miss Rue obtain a number of these.

Mrs James presented a Mormon leafletwith a request that a number be purchased. This was referred to the office with power.

Miss Lincoln asked that the Literature Department be allowed to order 10,000 envelopes,a size convenient for mailing leaflets,and bearing imprint of the Department. As the Department has no envelope of correspondence size bearing its imprint,may this size be used for its correspondence and thus save the inconvenience of using the envelopes of the Board and Woman's Executive Committee for correspondence relating to their respective publications. This was granted.

Mrs James read a letter from Mrs Mc Kee ,who ga o most encouraging reports of the work in Kentucky.

Mrs Pierson stated that the School Committee had appointed Mr.Kolly to the school at Sitka,Alaska,his commission bearing date of June,1897,thus relieving Mr.Shull at the beginning of vacation.

Mrs Finks moved that steps be taken to get allthe information possible in regard to the cost of a building for a gymnasium at Sitka,and that we look forward to the erection of such a building as soon as the condition of our treasury will justify it. Carried.

Mrs James read a letter from Mrs Heizer asking that some report cards be granted her. Not understanding just what was meant by report cards,Mrs James was authorized to write Mrs Heizer asking her to explain what she meant,and to make requisition through Mr. Shull. This matter and that of vocal music to be submitted through the Superintendent.

The subject of schools among the mines located at the breakers in Lackawanna Co.,was again brought forward by Mrs James. Letters were sent to the various mine owners;but three replies had been received. Mrs James wished that the Woman's Executive Committee would ask the Board to allow us to take up this work. We are discriminated against because we do nothing for this great tide of emigration. Mrs James gave a short outline of the work. She would ask the mine owners to pay for the teachers,and use our organization as a medium for carrying on this work. Mrs Honeyman moved that the matter be brought tp the consideration of the Board. Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

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Minutes of Ways and Means Committee meeting held Dec. 8th 1896. Mrs James in chair.

The subject first presented was in regard to the matter furnished each month for the Assembly Herald,and a motion was carried that hereafter all articles prepared shall be sent to this office - the office in turn sending it to Dr.Hubbard.

Motion carried that Dr.Hubbard's attention be called to the inefficiency of the proof reader,many typographical errors being found in very many of the articles.

Mrs Wickham spoke in reference to visitation among the smaller societies,and Mrs James urged a plan whereby there should be a canvass of all our societies.

Mrs Finks moved that a letter be sent to our Synodical Presidents urging them to co-operate in carrying out a plan whereby every society can be visited during the present year. Carried.

A letter from Miss Phillips,Hot Springs,N.C.states that she has already collected $450 for the water supply. Miss Phillips asks that she may have permission to dig a vegetable cellar;she can have it done now with but slight or no expense. Those who do the work will be compensated by clothes,tuition &c. Motion carried that she may be permitted to submit the plans.

A letter from the Pastor of the Waldensian Colony in North Carolina,asks for a teacher. Motion carried that we correspond with Mrs Grant,leaving the matter to be settled at the May conference.

The agent of the Oakland Heights property urges that some one be sent to look at the property as he thinks that the present condition of the property must be <u>seen</u> before it could wisely be determined whether it were better to have it under a "care-taker" or rented at a nominal sum. On motion it was decided to ask Mr. Dodge and Mr.Mc Afee to go to Asheville for this purpose.

The new superintendent at Muskogee,Ind.Ter. writes that he has set to work talking "new location". Gen.Porter has offered 20 acres within the town limits,free of charge except the nominal price the Nation may put upon it when the town is opened for land purchase. It will cost probably,not more than five or six dollars per acre. The present property is valuable and Mr.King asks if he may let the real estate agent put the property in the market. The cost will be nothing unless he makes a sale; then it will be the five per cent commission. Motion made,seconded and carried that we recommend a favorable consideration of this plan.

Miss Lincoln stated that Mrs Joseph Cook had replied in the affirmative to a letter written asking permission to reprint as a leaflet an article written by her,and published in the Home Mission Monthly. Moved and carried that five thousand copies be ordered.

In furnishing a carpet for the Assistant Secretary's room,half the cost was paid by the Board. Now,the Board offers to pay half the cost of a floor covering for the Leaflet Department. Motion that the covering be bought when we have secured sufficient funds to pay our portion of the cost. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1 P.M.

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Minutes of Ways and Means Committee held Dec. 22nd,1896. Mrs James in chair.

Miss Lincoln presented the matter of the furnishings at Salt Lake Institute -a note of $350 with interest of $20 having been presented for payment. We are using this furniture,having ladgers in these furnished rooms .besides the students,therefore there is no way but to pay this note for the furniture,yet this was bought by the trustees and more expensive than we would have authorized. Under the circumstances a motion was made and carried, that we concur with the action of the School Committee and pay the note.

Mrs Pierson gave a detailed statement of her meeting with the trustees of the Salt Lake Institute,and of our relations to the buildings and the work. The trustees made no definite proposition,but in a tentative manner asked if they raised $3000 and adjust the payment of $1000 more,would we raise $4i00 to pay the balance of the indebtedness. The furnishings they regard as ours, since we use them. This was not a formal proposition but was suggested looking to a proposition to be made at a later date.

A matter came up before the School Committee in regard to our property at Nuyaka,Ind.Ter. A motion was made and carried that we close up our relations with the Creek Nation at Nuyaka at the close of the school year,and that we instruct Mr.Robe to dispose of the property to them at the most advantageous terms.

A communication was received from Miss Stephenson in regard to the Oakland Heights property. Miss Stephenson has received an offer of $5000 provided seven more persons can be found who are willing to give $5000 each,with the understanding that $35,000 be paid into the treasury of the Woman's Executive Committee and $5000 be used to put the place in repair,the object being to use the property for a boarding place for ministers,missionaries and their families,and other Christian workers,needing rest and the climate of Asheville,but who are unable to pay the high prices of the boarding houses in Asheville. This is to be entirely undenominational. It was moved and carried that we encourage Miss Stephenson in her efforts to dispose of the Oakland Heights property.

A gentleman called asking whether the Woman's Executive Committee are willing to contribute toward a gift to be given at Christmas to the employeed of this building. It was decided that we do not contribute to this fund.

Communication from Mrs Baker that she may be allowed to purchase a better quality of paper for the permanent minutes.Moved and carried that she be permitted to purchase such paper as she needs.

A legacy of $7000 has been left the Woman's Executive Committee undesignated. Mrs Cruikshank of Brooklyn whose husband is the executor of the will,advises that this be used toward our debt. when received..

Conversation followed relative to having a meeting on the fifth Tuesday of this month. It was decided to hold the meeting as there were many subjects to be considered.

Mrs Baker has received a letter from Miss Manning of Sitka. Miss Manning finds in store many cotton articles of underwear sent by societies which are practically worthless in that climate, and asks what she shall do with them. Action deferred regarding their disposition until we learn what they are and how many of them

Motion made and carried that Mrs Olin,the wife of the new Treasurer of the Board,be invited to become a member of our Advisory Committee.

The offer,made by Gen.Porter,of land for a new site for Henry Kendall College,was presented to the Board for their action. The Board deems it best to decline unless the land be given absolutely free from all conditions.

There being no further business,meeting adjourned at 1 P.M.